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COVID-19 Update for Montgomery County

Status Update from the Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Management

MONTGOMERY COUNTY – Montgomery County Public Health District, in conjunction with the Montgomery County Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Management, would like to continue to encourage eligible residents to be vaccinated for COVID-19. Every new emerging variant emphasizes the need for vaccinations and booster shots for eligible populations. Need to find a vaccine or a vaccine booster shot? Click here for vaccine sites: https://www.vaccines.gov/.

Just a reminder, since the transition to the NEDSS database managed by the CDC, we have standardized our reporting to match Department of State Health Services (DSHS) reporting. All data definitions are now consistent with DSHS. They can be found here: https://dshs.texas.gov/coronavirus/DataDefinitions.aspx.

We report weekly on Tuesdays, but DSHS will update daily at this link: https://www.arcgis.com/apps/dashboards/45e18cba105c478697c76acbbf86a6bc.

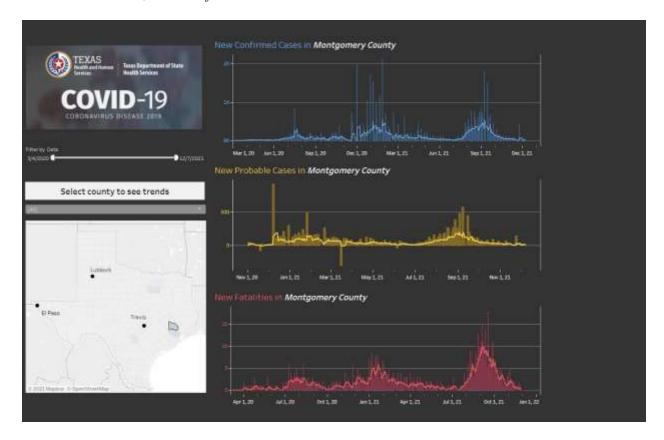
Since our last report on 12/3/2021:

- TOTAL cases of COVID-19 increased by 86 to 89,563. *Total cases include confirmed (PCR testing) and probable (antigen testing) cases.
- ACTIVE cases of COVID-19 increased by 28 to 891 (estimated per DSHS definitions).
- 1,121 deaths in Montgomery County residents are related to COVID-19.*These deaths are what are reflected in the State of Texas database from the beginning of the pandemic to now. However, not all of these deaths have been confirmed by the Montgomery County Public Health Department.
- 54 confirmed cases of COVID-19 are hospitalized in Montgomery County. SETRAC data for regional hospitalizations can be found here: https://bit.ly/3jwhdiV.

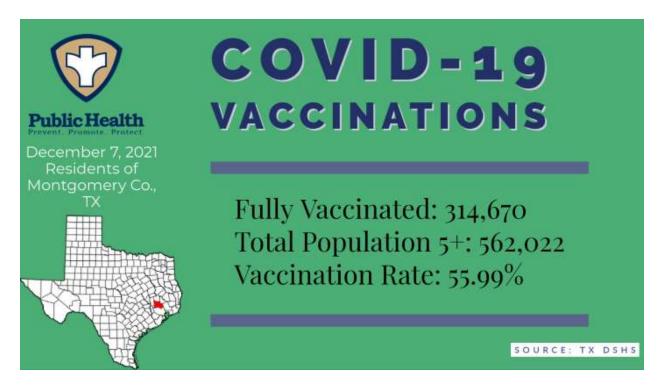
• 87,550 people have clinically recovered (estimated per DSHS definitions).

The Testing Positivity Rate for Montgomery County remains at 5% today.

Source: UT Health, School of Public Health



The COVID-19 dashboard for Montgomery County can be found here: https://coronavirus-response-moco.hub.arcgis.com/.



Do your part to slow the spread of COVID-19. The best way to protect yourself and those around you is to be vaccinated. You should also:

- Avoid groups of people.
- Practice social distancing.
- Wear a mask in public (over your nose and mouth) or with others who live outside your household. Never share a mask with others.
- Wash your hands or use hand sanitizer frequently.
- Disinfect surfaces in your car and around your home.

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